

**Neighborhood Council #1
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Flaherty, Fred Rauch, Jay Russell, Lynda Sowell, Bill Thomas

Absent:

OTHERS PRESENT

Russell Boham, Sandra Boham, Rob Lundberg, Roxanne Ochs, Keith Ochs, Patty Cadwell, Carol Bronson

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chairman Fred Rauch

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Commission: no report.

Police Advisory Board: Fred Rauch: 911 Call Center wants to be in their new building by the end of the year, but they need funding. There were no DUIs New Years Eve. The Police Dept is advertising for a volunteer coordinator.

Council of Councils: January 30 meeting: the mayor would like reports from the neighborhood councils; it's a suggestion – not mandatory.

OLD BUSINESS

- Motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2013 meeting by Mike Flaherty, and second by Bill Thomas; unanimously approved as written.
- **Menacing Deer:** Roxanne Ochs inquired about neighbors feeding deer in the city at the last meeting, and Fred Rauch brought this up at the Police Advisory Board meeting. Feeding deer is outside the scope of Animal Control; needs to be reported to FWP.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Community Policing:** Officer Rob Lundberg reported that crime was down in 12 categories and up in 4. This neighborhood has the lowest crime rate in the city.
- **Neighborhood Watch:** Carol Bronson from Neighborworks is the Community Building Coordinator for the city and oversees the Neighborhood Watch program. She encouraged our neighborhood to activate the block captains. The responsibility is not taxing; some training, meetings every other month, and each captain only needs 5 people. Crime doesn't happen unless it is reported.
- **Community Leadership Neighborhood Classes:** Carol Bronson also reported on an opportunity – grants of up to \$500 are available for teams of 2-3 people who take the Community Leadership classes; up to \$4,000 in total funds available. The team applies for a grant, and the funds should be spent on something for the neighborhood; it's an incentive to take the classes.

OTHER BUSINESS

- **Neighborhood Concerns:** Russell and Sandra Boham of 909 Durango Drive expressed their concern for the house at 911 Durango. The home is in the name of Jacob Hudson and has several men living there; it appears that many of them are in the process of being released from jail, and are working at the Golden Corral. The house is not being maintained; the occupants appear to be transient in nature. The Bohams asked whether there is a limit on the number of unrelated occupants allowed to live in a single family residence. We will put this on the agenda for next month.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:18 pm by Bill Thomas, second by Mike Flaherty; approved unanimously. Next meeting: March 12, 2013.

Respectfully submitted, Jay Russell, Neighborhood Council District 1 Secretary